

REMARKS

The indication that claims 1-12 are allowed over the prior art made of record is acknowledged.

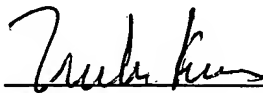
With regard to the typographical error in the Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) wherein the patent number was incorrect, submitted herewith is a Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) properly identifying the patent number as 6,034,507, such that this informality should now be overcome.

With respect to surrender of the original patent, applicants are presently engaged in determining the whereabouts of the original patent and applicants, in the near future, will either submit a statement as to loss or inaccessibility of the original patent or surrender the original patent.

In light of the submission of the corrected Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) and the above indication regarding the original patent, applicants submit that allowance of the reissue application should proceed.

To the extent necessary, applicant's petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any shortage in the fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account No. 01-2135 () and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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